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Connie Mack's Indoor Defense Looks to Be Best in the Professional Baseball Span.

McGRAWHAS HIS WORRIES

Merkle and Fletcher Are on the De cline and Giants' Manager Carefully Watches Recruits.

nmie Mack, of the Athletics, is the major leasure manager who has a able to plunge into seven graining I no worry over his inner defense, andelphin's infield is as close to perion as anything that has been flashed set the professional baseball spann McGraw is a lit uncertain as to the array of the champion Glantz, while couple of the Red Sex infielders are stormible quantities.

Under these circumstances it is rather delightful to turn back to Connie Mark's wonderful quartet. There have been some wonderful four-ply combinations—notably the old Origines and Char-but none surpassed in all ritind perfection the present Athletic array. Speed, azii-tiy, consistency, and strategy are all to be found in defense as well as offense. Collective, the four nat far above the 220 mark. Barry, the weakest swatter, is one of the most dangerous in a pinch, and he pounded at a 28 clip in 1912. "Stuffy" McInnes, who supplanted the veteran Harry Davis, awatted 25 last year. As a fielder, none surpasses him save Hal Chase.

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Eddie Collins, at second, is the real speed marvel of the bunch. In 1809 he aurprised the country by pilfering eighty-one sacks, the greatest number of steals since the days of Bill Lange, when the laft rule was not so rigidly soforced, Last year Collins grabbed sixty-three-rashions, twice stealing six bases in a single game. He walloped the horse hide for 18k Just one point better than Home Run Baker.

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His wonderful infield makes Connie Mack's Athletics one of the most highly esteemed aggregations that ever started a campaign. In Murphy and Walsh he picked up a wonderful pair of outfielders from Baltimore. It is simply a case of pitching with him. Let the old boys, Bender. Plank, and Connie Mack will give all rivals the fight of their lives.

Waish and Lobert of the Philly team, have burned their whiskers out on a bet. The man who shaves first must pay, loth now look like billy gont.

been bluffs and some backing and filling on the part of the track associations in Battimore County, on account of the recent decision of the racing commission to permit no more book-making on Battimore County tracks, we anticipate that none of the associations concerned will finally consent that their tracks shall be given up to weeds and their buildings to decay.

Michael Morris, who has in his immediate charge Berka, 2:141-4. Kate McKinney, 2:231-4. Trial, 2:143, and the unmarked Koroni, has been using the parks and suburban roats all through the winter season, and his charges, while heart one of the singular proposes, and he thinks he has an ileast one promising stake candidate plants and suburban roats all through the winter season, and his charges, while winter season, while has been probably so that the high winter work of the first time. Berka was led out of her stall and examined. There were no visible signs of her strenuous and her coat like a piece of safin. One would hardly recommended to the same of the piece will be said to safe the piece will be safe to safe the trot to that the piece will be safe to safe the piec

seclation that has every facility for the accommodation of the crowds and, at the accommodation of the great stand, or the great stand, or the great stand, or the great stand, and the stand of the stands of t

at Reno make him as mad, as a bornet and on such occasions, no dobth, he feels of his muscle and grinds his teeth and declares how different it would all be if he had it to do over again.

But this is merely a phase of human nature. In Jeffries case one of the things he should ponder over when he feels the comeback bee busing around him is the fact that he is now thirty-elisht years old.

For a man of that age to be thinking of scaling the dizzy heights of championdom a second time is a serious matter.

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